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IN THE DRUG DISCOVERY PROCESS**

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**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
TO OFFICE ACTION DATED FEBRUARY 5, 2007**

Sir:

This Reply is being filed in response to the Office Action dated February 5, 2007, having a one-month extended period for reply set to expire on June 5, 2007. Submitted herewith is the requisite fee for a one-month extension of time for reply. If any additional fees are required in order to continue the prosecution of this application, please charge such fees to Deposit Account 19-5425.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper; Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.